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For: ELECTRONIC MUSICAL INSTRUMENT CONNECTED TO COMPUTER KEYBOARD

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 3, 2003, for which a response is due on December 3, 2003, and for which a one-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from December 3, 2003 to January 5, 2004 (the first business day following January 3, 2004), please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

SPECIFICATION

X There are no amendments to the specification. Marked up replacement(s) paragraphs are presented in a separate section. CLAIMS There are no amendments to the claims. X A complete listing of all claims ever present in this case in

ascending order with status identifier is presented in a separate section.